

**PIC Coaches Call**  
**July 18, 2000**

**MTCS Implementation Schedule - Mioshi James**

Mioshi covered the current implementation schedule for the new form and system. She stated that the expected release is on September 1, 2000. With this schedule, MTCS will no longer accept the current Form after August 30, 2000. Mioshi also stated that the MTCS 2000 test center should be ready by the end of the week. If you know of any vendors or PHAs who develop their own software, please encourage them to register for the test center. They can download the registration forms from the MTCS 2000 web site at <http://www.hud.gov/pih/systems/pic/mtcs2000/>. This web site also contains frequent updates on the latest with MTCS 2000.

**Sanctions - Mark Matulef**

We're now into the third semi-annual assessment period. For key dates, see Notice 2000-13 for key dates available on the Notice PIH 2000-13 web site at <http://www.hud.gov/pih/systems/mtcs/notice/pih2000-13.html>.

The process has really not changed since the last period. This is the first time we're having third requests—see the Processing Guidelines for more information about how to process them. You can download them from the Notice PIH 2000-13 web site.

HUD will send a spreadsheet to Field Office and TARC MTCS Coordinators shortly. This spreadsheet will contain a specific list of PHAs with reporting under 85 percent. We will remove programs that have reporting rates that round up to 85 percent, defunct programs, and merged programs. You should receive the spreadsheet shortly. Its due back to HUD by September 15, 2000.

Q: A PHA with approved forbearance in June 1999, above 85 percent reporting in December 1999, and has reporting below 85 percent for June 2000, requests forbearance for June 2000. What forbearance request is it?

A: It is the PHAs **second** request.

Q: Are we required to do an on-site review for third forbearance requests?

A: There is no requirement to do an on-site review for the third forbearance request.

**SEMAP**

PHAs with June 30 fiscal year ends will be first to be rated. These PHAs have 60 days, from July 1 to August 31, to send in their SEMAP certifications. HUD is in process of automating the SEMAP system. However, the system did not pass user acceptance testing held June 21-22, and did not pass the second user acceptance test held July 12 -13. Johnson Abraham is confident that the programmers can fix the system by the last week in July. We will then assign user ID and passwords so that affected PHAs can submit in August.

Notice PIH 2000-24 announces the first SEMAP ratings for PHAs with June 30 fiscal year ends and the automation process. PHAs should not submit on paper yet as they would later need to submit data electronically. HUD is waiting to see the system results before spreading word of the electronic requirements.

There will be written guidance for field for rating certifications that will begin in September and October. We will provide SEMAP sessions at the PHRA training. HUD is also automating the rating system for Field Offices, although there are also issues with this module.

Q: Will HUD Headquarters notify the PHAs or should the Field?

A: The Notice will be distributed to the Field. Right now it may be too premature to tell PHAS. You may want to wait about a week. However, if you get inquiries, you can tell them the plan.

Q: What should we do with the backlog of SEMAP certifications?

A: Don't do anything with them. The purpose was to get PHAs ready and draw their attention to the process for when ratings begin.

Q: Will annual HQS inspections be rated?

A: Not in the beginning.